

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 9

2 **46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2004**

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10 A JOINT RESOLUTION

11 PROPOSING TO AMEND ARTICLE 10, SECTION 2 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF
12 NEW MEXICO TO LIMIT COUNTY OFFICIALS TO THREE CONSECUTIVE TERMS
13 INSTEAD OF TWO.

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15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

16 Section 1. It is proposed to amend Article 10, Section 2
17 of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

18 "A. In every county all elected officials shall serve
19 four-year terms, subject to the provisions of Subsection B of
20 this section.

21 B. In those counties that prior to 1992 have not had
22 four-year terms for elected officials, the assessor, sheriff
23 and probate judge shall be elected to four-year terms and the
24 treasurer and clerk shall be elected to two-year terms in the
25 first election following the adoption of this amendment. In

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1 subsequent elections, the treasurer and clerk shall be elected
2 to four-year terms.

3 C. To provide for staggered county commission terms, in
4 counties with three county commissioners, the terms of no more
5 than two commissioners shall expire in the same year; and in
6 counties with five county commissioners, the terms of no more
7 than three commissioners shall expire in the same year.

8 D. All county officers, after having served [~~two~~] three
9 consecutive four-year terms, shall be ineligible to hold any
10 county office for two years thereafter."

11 Section 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution
12 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or
13 rejection at the next general election or at any special
14 election prior to that date that may be called for that
15 purpose.